

**PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]**

**Adopted and Filed**

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 691.6(6), the Iowa Department of Public Health hereby amends Chapter 127, "County Medical Examiners," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment proposes changes to the rules governing the qualifications and supervision of the county medical examiner investigators.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the September 23, 2009, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 8162B**. No comments were received. The second sentence of the new paragraph was reworded for clarity.

This amendment was adopted by the State Board of Health on November 18, 2009.

This amendment will become effective on March 17, 2010.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 691.6.

The following amendment is adopted.

Adopt the following **new** paragraph **127.7(2)"e"**:

*e.* If a CME-I is unable to meet the eligibility requirements for obtaining registry certification due to the small number of cases requiring investigation in the county of appointment, then a waiver shall be obtained from the state medical examiner in order for the investigator to continue his or her duties. The county medical examiner shall submit a request for a waiver in writing with documentation of the number of deaths occurring in the county of appointment which require death investigation. The waiver must be renewed every five years if the required number of investigations has still not been achieved.

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